MR. S. RAMAKRISHNA AIYAR : Arrangements are being made.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : May I know whether the price of rice was kept down in the beginning of the war because of the imported Government rice?

MR. S. RAMAKRISHNA AIYAR : Yes, Sir.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Pathanapuram* cum *Shencotta*) May I know whether any representation from the people of Shencotta was received saying that there the problem of the supply of paddy is different from the problem elsewhere in Travancore and they are seriously handicapped by the restrictions imposed?

MR. S. RAMAKRISHNA AIYAR : No, Sir.

PRESIDENT : Personal representations were received so far as I know and no other representations were made.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR : May I inform the honourable member that representations were made in writing.

Price of paddy and rice.

438 *MR. G. VELU PILLAI (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the price of paddy and rice is rising day by day;

(*b*) whether they are taking any steps to prevent this abnormal rise; and

(*c*) if so, what those steps are?

MR. S. RAMAKRISHNA AIYAR : (*a*) There has been a gradual increase in price in consonance with the market price at Cochin and British India.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Attention is invited to the Government Press Notes dated 1st May on the subject. Necessary instructions have been issued to the Police Officers and the situation is being closely watched.

Travancore University Examinations.

439 * MR. MURUKKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list showing the number of students presented and the percentage of passes (with class or distinction if any) for the Public Examinations held by the Travancore University in 1116 from the different colleges affiliated to the University?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL : The *list asked for is laid on the table.

MR. MURUKKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN : Sir, from the list given I find that the results in the Government Colleges are very poor when compared with the results in the private colleges. For example, the percentage of passes in the Intermediate Examination in the College of Arts and in the College of Science is 42·9 and 43·3 respectively, while in the Union Christian College, Alwaye, C. M. S. College, Kottayam, and the Scott Christian College, Nagercoil, the percentages are said to be 55·5, 42·3 and 47·5 per cent respectively. Similarly for the B. A. Examination the College of Arts has only a 50 per cent pass while the

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Union Christian College, Alwaye, and St. Berchmans' College, Changanacherry, have 88·9 per cent and 81 per cent respectively. Similarly for the B. Sc. Examination the percentage in the College of Science is 53 while that in the Union Christian College and St. Berchmans' College have 76 and 77 per cent respectively. May I know the reason why Government Colleges produce such lower percentages?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL: Sir, I do not quite concede that the results in the Government Colleges are worse than those in the private Colleges. If we take the results of all the examinations it will be seen that there is practically not much of a difference. Further, the results in the different groups may vary, and there will be only a small number of groups in some colleges and there will be a much larger number of groups in some other colleges.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN: Is it not a fact that the professors in the Government colleges are given a higher salary than the professors in the private colleges?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL: In some cases the salaries paid to teachers are higher and in other cases they are lower than those paid in private colleges.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN: Is it not a fact that only the best students are selected in Government colleges?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL: No, Sir, there is no justification for that assumption.

Mine in Kundara Ceramic Works.

440 ***MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether a mine in Kundara Ceramic Works fell down recently:

(*b*) the reason for such a fall; and

(*c*) the losses sustained by Government on that account?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS (*Director of Industries*): (*a*) Subsidence occurred in the mines beneath the settling tanks.

(*b*) Accident.

(*c*) This is being ascertained.

State Manual.

411 ***MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR**: Will the Government be pleased to state when the State Manual will be published?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: The member is referred to the answer to interpellation No. 354.

The Revised State Manual.

412 ***MR. G. VELU PILLAI**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether all the volumes of the revised State Manual have been published;

(*b*) if not, why;

(*c*) the total cost incurred for the preparation of the State Manual;

(*d*) the person in charge of the preparation of the same;

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Appendix VI.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 439.**

Travancore University Examinations held in 1116.

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Intermediate Examination.

Name of College.	No. presented.	First Class.	Second Class.	Number obtained distinction.	Number passed.	Percentage of passes.
College of Science	22	...	3	...	3	13·6 per cent.
College of Arts	2	...	...	...	...	...
College for Women	14	...	6	1	6	42·9 per cent.
Union Christian College, Alwaye	12	...	...	...	...	...
St. Berchmans College, Changanacherry	21	...	1	...	1	4·8 per cent.
C. M. S. College, Kottayam	9	...	1	...	1	11·1 per cent
Scott Christian College, Nagercoil	4	...	1	..	1	25·0 per cent

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College of Science	141	29	32	35	31	43·3 per cent.
College of Arts	84	5	31	5	36	42·9 ,,
College for Women	76	9	37	14	46	60·5 ,,
Union Christian College, Alwaye	108	17	43	28	60	55·5 ,,
St. Berchmans' College Changanacherry	123	18	38	20	56	45·5 ,,
C. M. S. College, Kottayam	104	7	37	14	44	42·3 ,,
Scott Christian College, Nagercoil	80	19	19	26	38	47·5 ,,

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Name of College	Name of Examination.	Number.		Percentage of Passes.	In what class ranked.								
					Part I.			Part II			Part III.		
		Presented.	Passed.		I.	II	III.	I.	II	III.	I.	II	III.
College of Arts, Trivandrum	B. A. Degree	58	29	50·0	...	...	29	1	6	22	..	4	25
Union Christian College, Alwaye	Do.	18	16	88·9	...	...	16	1	2	13	..	7	9
St. Berchmans' College, Changanacherry.	Do.	33	27	81·8	...	1	26	1	4	22	1	3	23
College of Science, Trivandrum	B. Sc. Degree	132	70	53·0	...	3	67	6	8	56	9	23	38
Union Christian College, Alwaye	Do.	13	10	76·9	...	..	10	..	..	10	2	1	7
St. Berchmans' College, Changanacherry	Do.	36	28	77·8	...	...	28	1	4	23	3	6	19

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APPENDIX VI—(*contd.*)

Name of College.	Name of Examination.	No. presented.	No. passed.	Percentage of passes.	In what class ranked.			No. obtained distinction.
					I Class.	II Class	III Class	
Sanskrit College, Trivandrum.	Mahopadhyaya Preliminary Examination. ...	14	13	92·9	...	...	...	...
	Sanskrit Entrance, Examination	18	17	94·4	...	...	...	...
Training College, Trivandrum.	L. T. Degree Examination. ...	80	65	81·3	...	8	57	9
College of Engineering, Trivandrum.	First Exmn. in Engineering Part I. ...	23	20	86·9	...	9	11	..
	First Exmn. in Engineering Part II. ...	19	19	100·0	2	14	3	...
	Diploma Exmn. in Engineering Part I. ...	20	18	90·0	1	10	7	...
Institute of Textile Technology, Trivandrum.	Diploma Examination in Textile Technology ...	11	11	100·0	...	...	...	2
	Textile Chemistry. First Examination in Textile Technology							
	Textile Chemistry ...	23	23	100·0	...	...	...	7
	Certificate Course Examination in Textile Technology ...	21	18	85·7	1	17	...	..
Law College, Trivandrum.	F. L. Examination ...	101	45	44·6	1	11	33	..
	B. L. Examination ...	46	35	76·1	...	8	27	
College of Arts, Trivandrum.	M. A. Degree Examination ...	4	4	100·0	1	1	2	...
	B. A. (Hons.) Degree ...	17	12	70·6	2	6	4	..
	Do. Preliminary ..	26	24	92·3	—	...	...	2
College of Science, Trivandrum.	B. Sc. (Hons.) Degree ...	10	8	80·0	2	3	3	...
	Do. Preliminary ...	4	4	100·0	...	...	...	1